

# The Butler Weekly Times

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## DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

**Senator in Congress:**  
Joseph W. Folk  
**State Superintendent of Schools:**  
Uel W. Lampkin  
**Judge Supreme Court, Division No. 1:**  
Waller W. Graves  
**Representative in Congress, 6th Dist:**  
Clement C. Dickinson  
**State Senator 16th District:**  
Ross E. Feaster  
**Representative:**  
H. O. Maxey  
**Presiding Judge County Court:**  
R. B. Campbell  
**Judge County Court, North District:**  
W. J. Middleton  
**Judge County Court, South District:**  
W. H. Lowder  
**Clerk County Court:**  
Frank Holland  
**Clerk Circuit Court:**  
C. C. Swares  
**Prosecuting Attorney:**  
Watt B. Dawson  
**Recorder of Deeds:**  
Chas. E. Fortune  
**Probate Judge:**  
H. E. Sheppard

## WITHOUT AN ISSUE.

The Republicans seem to be making their campaign this year without a single issue upon which to stand. Of course, they are clamoring for a more vigorous prosecution of the war, but the way the administration is handling things at home and the way the boys "over there" are going through the Huns, rather knocks that cry into a cocked hat, so far as an issue is concerned. Then, too, we all remember that when war was declared the Republicans wasted no time in telling Mr. Wilson just what ought to be done and how much, or rather how little, time he ought to take to do it. We remember also that long before the time limit they set on what they conceived to be an efficient war program, had expired, Mr. Wilson and his administration had just about doubled the program that had been set up as the maximum of accomplishment. Since then they have continued to insist on a "more vigorous prosecution of the war" but have hesitated to lay out a program for fear they couldn't demand more than the President could accomplish.

Locally, the Republican candidates seem each to be running for himself, working without special organization in the vain hope that he can get some misguided Democrats to scratch the ticket for personal reasons. They all freely admit they are good fellows and this seems to be the sole reason they are able to advance in support of their candidacy.

The city papers have found another mare's nest in the row they have kicked up over the matter of Secretary of State John L. Sullivan's letting the contract for the purchase of automobile number plates, and for political purposes are doing their best to leave the impression that there was something seriously wrong about it. Nobody expects these sheets to do other than play politics but they have picked a mighty hard man to hurt with their innuendo and scare heads. Missourians are thoroughly familiar with John L. Sullivan's record and it will require a great deal more than the anguished wails of partisan newspapers to convince them that he is anything but absolutely on the square.

## The Fourth Loan is the Fighting Loan.

As the campaign for the Fourth Liberty Loan approaches the American Army in France moves on toward Berlin. Under our own leaders the great American Army has won a notable victory.

The Fourth Loan must be a great success. The Fourth Liberty Loan is a fighting loan.

When our soldiers on the battle front are having death, each one of them is making the supreme sacrifice for his country and the great cause. It is the duty of every citizen to give them every aid and support possible. If we can only get the Fourth Liberty Loan, we can make the difference between a victory and a defeat.

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in it and all Americans, all of their lives, will be proud of the part they had in it or ashamed of their failure to do their part.

The Fourth Loan is a fighting loan. Every subscriber to the Loan strikes a blow for Liberty, for Victory.

When Chairman Duvall asked the people of Bates County for \$281,000 for the third Liberty Loan they responded with \$550,000. Our quota for the fourth loan will be much larger and every citizen should do their part.

## GENERAL NOTES

According to Dame Rumor Nat Goodwin, the much married actor, is to pull a new stunt. He has been divorced by his fifth wife and is planning to remarry number four.

The Serbian government, it is learned, is in possession of proof that the Turkish government sold prisoners of war as slaves to Bulgaria, Austria-Hungary and Germany.

President Wilson has appointed John W. Davis, formerly solicitor general of the United States, ambassador to England to take the place made vacant by the resignation of Walter Hines Page.

Mme. Ernestine Schumann-Heink, contralto opera singer, is confined in a Chicago hospital. Physicians said the singer was exhausted and suffering from exposure in singing at various cantonments, and that a complete rest probably would restore her to health.

Director General McAdoo has approved the application of the American Railway Express Company for further rate increases expected to yield \$23,670,000, and has sent the proposal to the I. C. C. for final action. Public hearings will begin Tuesday, October 8.

The name of the German surgeon who looted the hospital, which was established and managed by Mlle. Courton, near Sossions, is known to the officers of the allied army, and if he should chance to fall into their hands he will agree that General Sherman knew exactly what war was.

The Germans are poisoning the wells in towns that they are forced to abandon, according to the newspaper La France Du Nord of Boulogne. The paper says a French engineer from that city and seven companions died from poison after drinking water in a town they had just entered.

Men's straw hats are the subject of the War Industries Board's latest conservation order. Manufacturers have been ordered to introduce no new styles next season, to turn out no more than enough to meet the estimated demand and to restrict the height of crown, width of brim and trimming.

"Paranoia, with special reference to the paranoid tendencies of the Kaiser," or in other words, "just what kind of a nut is the Kaiser, anyway?" was the chief topic of discussion at the thirty-first annual convention of the Missouri Valley Medical Society convention, which opened in Omaha last week.

What is thought by Capt. R. W. Schroeder of Chicago to be a new record in altitude was made by him Friday in an airplane flight from Dayton Aviation Field to Canton. He ascended more than 28,000 feet, his records show. He found a temperature of 32 degrees below zero centigrade. His finger tips were frozen.

As an excuse for discontinuing service on one of their lines the Kansas City, Kansas, street railway company said they are losing money and that they would be glad to turn the system over to some one to run for the duration of the war. The city is about to call the bluff and its attorneys are trying to find a law under which the city can run the cars.

President Wilson was asked to extend the recognition of the United States to the "republic of Poland" and to pledge this country to the dissolution of the Austrian empire as one of its war aims, by the committee on oppressed peoples at a White House conference Friday. The committee is headed by Dr. Masaryk and Ignace Paderewski.

A big detachment of German soldiers refused to leave Aix La Chapelle for the front last week, according to an Amsterdam report. The escort is reported to have fired on the mutineers, killing eight and wounding many. The remainder were driven aboard trains, but are said to have thrown their rifles out the window.

One hundred thousand selective service registrants have changed from nonproductive occupations since the promulgation of the work-or-fight regulations, Provost Marshal General Crowder has announced. The figures were obtained from local draft boards, the Federal Employment Service, the Emergency Fleet Corporation and retail merchants' associations.

Something is radically wrong in Kansas these days when at least one train or express robbery is not pulled off every week. Last week the bank robbery was at Arcadia and a train robbery was followed near Jols by a change in train orders and a freight train running ahead of the passenger train exploded the torpedo that had been placed there to stop the passenger train. The robbery was not out of style in Kansas. The Union Pacific train was robbed near Jols, Kan., and the Kansas City train was robbed near Jols, Kan., and the Kansas City train was robbed near Jols, Kan.

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## The Opening Show and Sale of Autumn Coats and Suits Dresses and Skirts

is set for Monday, September 30th

The assortment is large. We planned it to meet every requirement of women who demand up-to-the-minute styles combined with undeniable quality—who seek service rather than display. As such, ours is a thoroughly representative stock, from which no worthy style-thought has been omitted.

Fortunately, makers with whom we have dealt for years were abundantly able to meet all our demands—they were as interested as ourselves in keeping up a reputation they had helped us to build. We insisted on cloth-quality and exacted exceptional

workmanship. Styles were abundant—but real old fashioned values were scarce. Yet these makers had provided by advance orders for nearly adequate supplies for this season. With goods in stock they were able to undersell many of their rivals. Thus it happens that

many prices are quite close to the old values which you must have thought were gone forever

In every respect ours is a very remarkable showing—in point of variety, in point of real quality, in point of values which are not likely to be equalled anywhere.

# WALKER-McKIBBEN'S

"THE QUALITY STORE"

\$8,000,000,000 taxes for the current fiscal year. This is the amount proposed in the pending revenue bill, and Mr. McAdoo expressed the opinion that it would be unwise to levy heavier taxes at this time. He said conditions may develop in the future which will determine the question of further increases.

Several thousand employees of ship building firms have served notice that they will go on a strike unless a large number of pugilists, base ball players and other safety first "patriots," who were driven into the shipbuilding industry by the work or fight orders, are not removed from their jobs as petty overseers and put to real work. When the order was issued to secure essential employment or be put in class one many ball players and cheap pugilists secured employment with the ship building people. They do very little work, as they are not very familiar with work of any kind and on Saturday afternoons and holidays they receive big money for playing ball with the ship building ball team. The real workers say that they hinder them by being around in the way.

## TO FIX PRICE OF COTTON

The President Also to Order Government Control of Distribution.

Washington, Sept. 26.—Senators from cotton growing states disclosed today at their recent White House conference President Wilson made it clear it was his intention not only to fix a price for this year's cotton crop, but also to order government control of its distribution.

The President gave no intimation of what he would consider a fair price, it was said, and any action will await the report of the special committee which the President announced last week would inquire into the general subject, including production costs.

Government control of distribution, it is believed, is made necessary by the shortage of the present crop and to insure the equitable supply of cotton to the various industries which have been greatly hampered by the war.

That the price would be taken from the market and distributed without regard to the needs of the various industries, it is believed, is not the intention of the President.

of the uncertainty of the situation, he said, the cotton market is at a standstill and this will eventually result in greater shortages as the mills use up their available supplies.

## NO SHIPS, NO FOOD, FOR DUTCH

United States Tells Netherlands It Must Not Play Into German Hands.

Washington, Sept. 26.—Holland's appeal for American supplies to meet her food shortage, while four hundred thousand tons of Dutch shipping continues to lie idle in European ports, is the subject of an official statement issued by the State Department today, expressing the hope that the Netherlands government would follow the example of other neutrals and open the way for general resumption of trade by lifting the embargo upon the movement of her ships.

In effect the department gives notice that so long as Holland permits herself to be intimidated by German threats to destroy even ships plying between neutral ports, there can be no arrangement for American foodstuffs similar to those entered into by the United States with Switzerland, Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Spain.

The statement discloses that the Netherlands government never has notified itself of the offer of the United States and the Allies to put one hundred thousand tons of breadstuffs at the disposal of the Dutch people unconditionally, after the government had failed to approve a tentative general agreement reached at London last winter.

## REMOVAL MANPOWER

EXTENDS ESTIMATE

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## PARCEL TO EACH MAN OVER THERE, GIFT LIMIT

Red Cross to Help Deliver Christmas Presents Mailed Before November 15.

Washington, September 26.—Christmas packages for the two and a half million or more American soldiers who will be in France the holiday season will be delivered under an arrangement with the Red Cross.

To control the flood of gifts that otherwise would make the handling of them impracticable, the War Department has decided that only one parcel will be accepted for each man. Gen. Pershing is forwarding coupons bearing the name and address of each member of the expeditionary force, to be distributed to the next of kin.

These coupons must be attached to standard containers, 9x4x3 inches in size, which will be provided by local Red Cross chapters upon application.

All packages must be mailed before November 15, as weeks will be required to get them to ports of embarkation, across the Atlantic and to the various places in France where men are stationed.

## Immense Wheat Shipments.

Officials of the St. Louis Merchants Exchange and the Missouri State Grains Inspection Bureau Friday reported that more than 2,000,000 bushels of wheat, the greatest amount in the history of the city, had arrived in St. Louis, between July 1 and Sept. 21, and that of this amount, fully 1,000,000 bushels had been bought by the United States Government Grain Commission here to feed the people of the United States and for export to European allies.

The St. Louis merchants said that the wheat was shipped from the Missouri River and was the product of the 1918 crop. It was the first large shipment of wheat to the city since the war began.

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## PERMIT ARMY COMMISSIONS

Restrictions to Men Between 18 and 45 Are Practically Removed.

Washington, Sept. 17.—Restrictions preventing men between the ages of 18 and 45, inclusive, from being commissioned in the army were practically removed today when the War Department announced that men may be commissioned for the staff corps subject to the following provisions:

Qualified men having deferred classifications on grounds other than industry or occupation must be commissioned from civil life; men in Group C having physical qualifications which prevent them from being drafted as Class 1 men may be commissioned, and men in Class 1-A who would be drafted except for industry or occupation must first be inducted into the service before consideration will be given their appointment as officers.

## German People, Be Hard! Is Hindenburg's Plan.

Amsterdam, Sept. 22.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg, replying to greetings sent to him from a patriotic meeting in Jaterbog, said:

"The first replies from the enemy camp to the Austrian note reveal our enemies' state of mind. In the face of this, there can be only one watchword, 'German people be hard!'"

## Encounter's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary upon the estate of William W. Hill, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, to be the Probate Court of Bates County, Missouri, bearing date the 26th day of September, 1918.

All persons having claims against the estate of the deceased are notified to present them to the undersigned on or before the 10th day of October, 1918.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court at Butler, Mo., this 26th day of September, 1918.